

Irvington collection

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Summary Information

Repository	Rare Books and Manuscripts
Title	Irvington collection
Date	1873-1970
Extent	0.01 Linear feet 1 folder
Language	English
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Historical Note

Jacob Julian and Sylvester Johnson purchased 320 acres for a new community in Marion county in 1873. They named the town Irvington after America's first world-renowned author, Washington Irving. The original plans of Irvington envisioned a community of impressive homes surrounded by large grounds. however, the depression of 1873-1874 and its aftermath caused many owners of large homes and grounds to subdivide their properties so that less affluent families were able to build modest homes in the very yards of mansions. Having withstood social and economic changes of great magnitude, Irvington became a stable community over the years.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains a variety of materials: transcriptions, personal notes, letters, a poll book, a tax table, financial statements, bonds covering public officials, legal agreements, a political platform, a map, and a newspaper clipping. The materials date from 1873-1970.

Generally, the materials all relate to the civic and political affairs of the town of Irvington, now a neighborhood of Indianapolis. Topics covered include early laws pertaining to the keeping of livestock, school bonding, provision of water works, creation of a park, street construction and maintenance, the election and resignation of public officials, assessment and taxation, crime prevention and public safety, and control of the sale of intoxicating beverages.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Conditions Governing Access

This collection is open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

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Custodial History

This collection was received by Rare Books and Manuscripts as a donation from George S. Cottman on 1931/05/04.

Accruals

No further additions are expected.

Processing Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Geographic Name(s)

- Irvington (Ind.)

Subject(s)

- Cities and towns
- City planning--Indiana--Indianapolis